

Goal is to prove Stokes' Thm

$$\cancel{\iint_S \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S}} = \cancel{\iint_{\partial S} f(\text{curl } \vec{F}) \cdot d\vec{s}} \quad \iint_S (\text{curl } \vec{F}) \cdot d\vec{S} = \oint_{\partial S} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{s}$$

BTW: these flux (and scalar surface) integrals do not depend on the parametrization on  $S$

We will assume for simplicity that  $S$  is a graph of a fct over a planar domain, (eg  $z = f(x,y)$ , or  $y = g(x,z)$ , or  $x = h(y,z)$ )

The general case would follow by taking  $S$  apart into pieces  $S_1, S_2, \dots$  that are graphs ~~as~~

$$\oint_{\partial S} \dots = \oint_{\partial S_1} \dots + \oint_{\partial S_2} \dots + \dots \quad \text{b/c pieces w/ve } S_1, S_2$$

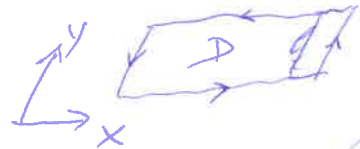
meet will have contrib's to  $\oint_{\partial S_1}$ ;  $\oint_{\partial S_2}$  that cancel out



So let  $S: \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ f(x,y) \end{bmatrix}$

(other graphs like  $y = g(x,z)$  are done exactly alike)

$(x,y) \in D$



We also decompose the vector field

$$\vec{F} = \begin{bmatrix} F_1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ F_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ F_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

and will study  $\begin{bmatrix} F_1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .  $F_2$  is almost identical calc.  
 $F_3$  is quite similar  $\rightarrow$  Stokes

Stokes for the whole  $\vec{F}$  is obtained as a sum of the three

So we want to show

$$(*) \quad \iint_{\text{graph}} \text{curl} \begin{bmatrix} F_1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot d\vec{S} = \oint_{\partial(\text{graph})} \begin{bmatrix} F_1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot d\vec{s}$$

need to get  $d\vec{S}$  where  $S: \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ f(x,y) \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned} & \vec{T}_x \times \vec{T}_y \, dx \, dy \\ & = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \partial f / \partial x \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ \partial f / \partial y \end{bmatrix} \, dx \, dy = \begin{bmatrix} -\partial f / \partial x \\ -\partial f / \partial y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned} \quad \bullet \quad \text{Also } \text{curl} \begin{bmatrix} F_1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ +\partial F_1 / \partial z \\ -\partial F_1 / \partial y \end{bmatrix}$$

The left hand side of (\*) is therefore

$$- \iint_D \left( F_{1,z} (x,y, f(x,y)) \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} (x,y) + F_{1,y} (\dots) \right) dx \, dy \quad (\text{lhs of Stokes eval'd})$$

The right side of (\*) is

$$\oint_{\partial D} \begin{bmatrix} F_1 \\ \partial F_1 / \partial z \\ -\partial F_1 / \partial y \end{bmatrix} (x,y, f(x,y)) \cdot \begin{bmatrix} dx \\ dy \\ f_x x' + f_y y' \end{bmatrix} dt \quad \begin{cases} x=x(t) \\ y=y(t) \\ z=f(x(t), y(t)) \end{cases} \quad a \leq t \leq b$$

$$\begin{aligned} & = \int_a^b \begin{bmatrix} F_1 \\ \partial F_1 / \partial z \\ -\partial F_1 / \partial y \end{bmatrix} (x(t), y(t), f(x(t), y(t))) \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x'(t) \\ y'(t) \\ f_x x'(t) + f_y y'(t) \end{bmatrix} dt \quad (\text{rhs of Stokes eval'd}) \\ & = \int_a^b (F_{1,z} - F_{1,y} f_y) dx + F_{1,y} f_x dx \end{aligned}$$

Green's thm

$$\text{for } G_1(x,y) = F_1(x,y), f(x,y) \quad G_2 = 0$$

~~$$\iint_D \left( \frac{\partial G_1}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial G_2}{\partial x} \right) dx dy = \iint_D$$~~

$$\iint_D \left( -\frac{\partial G_1}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial G_2}{\partial x} \right) dx dy = \oint_{\partial D} G_1 dx + G_2 dy$$

$$\frac{\partial G_1}{\partial y} = F_{1,y} \cdot 1 + F_{1,z} \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \quad \text{by chain rule}$$

Thus  $\iint_D -\frac{\partial G_1}{\partial y} dx dy$  is exactly the lhs of (\*) from last page

Likewise  $\oint_{\partial D} G_1 dx$  is exactly the rhs of (\*) from last page

We say  $\vec{F}$  has a vector potential  $\vec{A}$  if  $\vec{F} = \text{curl } \vec{A}$

(analogy:  $\vec{F}$  has a (scalar) potential  $f$  if  $\vec{F} = \vec{\nabla} f$ )

Not every  $\vec{F}$  has a vector potential

For  $\vec{F}$  to have a vector potential, it is necessary that  $\text{div } \vec{F} = 0$   
 (b/c  $\text{div } \text{curl } \vec{A} = 0$ )

(analogy: For  $\vec{F}$  to have a scalar potential  $f$ , it is necessary that  
 $\text{curl } \vec{F} = 0$  b/c  $\text{curl } \vec{\nabla} f = \vec{0}$ )

If  $\vec{F}$  has a vector potential, then the flux  $\iint_S \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S}$   
 depends only on the boundary of  $S$ , not  $S$  itself

$$\text{b/c } \iint_S \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{S} = \iint_S \text{curl } \vec{A} \cdot d\vec{S} = \oint_{\partial S} \vec{A} \cdot d\vec{s}$$

(analogy: If  $\vec{F}$  has a scalar potential then the line integral

$\int_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{s}$  depends only on the endpoints of  $C$ , not the curve  $C$  itself)

Vector potentials are vastly non-unique.

If  $\vec{A}$  is a vect. potential for  $\vec{F}$  then  $\vec{A} + \vec{\nabla} f$  (any  $f$ )  
 also is a vector potential b/c  $\text{curl } \vec{A} + \vec{\nabla} f = \text{curl } \vec{A} + \underbrace{\text{curl } \vec{\nabla} f}_0$

In electrodyn:  $\vec{B}$  magnetic field (which does satisfy  $\text{div } \vec{B} = 0$ )

has a vector potential  $\vec{B} = \text{curl } \vec{A}$

→ may read up on physics of this in Ch 17.2